

MINUTES OF THE SEAFORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
GENERAL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
June 18, 2008

Present: J. Andrew, P. Gant, F. Avakumovic, Z. Quan, D. Hayhurst, C. Yap, R. Simon, J. Mezei, A. Dall'Antonia, M. Cheung

Absent: C. Lui, E. Leong,

1. Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

2. Motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2008. Motion by D. Hayhurst,
Seconded by Pablo Su. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **PRINCIPALS REPORT – K. Chong reported as follows:**

- Thank you to all for a GREAT CARNIVAL. In spite of the bears and weather, everyone had a wonderful time.
- The earthquake container has been approved. It was going to be placed at the corner of Government and Piper. The location has now been moved to beside the portable on the upper field. In May there was a drive to sell earthquake kits to help fund the purchase of supplies for the earthquake container. At tonight's meeting it was suggested that we sell the kits again in the fall.
- Earthquake plan for the school is a daunting task for 500 kids and be self sufficient for 72 hours. We need to plan and get some information for the Seaforth Earthquake Plan. In the fall the Earthquake Committee hopes to bring in some info on earthquake preparedness.
- Price on container – includes a waterproof container – no final price yet. The music stands for the Music dept. are included in this purchase.

4. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – J. Andrew reported as follows:**

- Jane thanks all of the PAC Executive and all parents. She will be stepping down as Chairperson.

5. **FINANCES – A. Dall'Antonia reported as follows:**

- Copy of proposed budget is reviewed.
 - i) Quote for 16 Music stands and cart - \$1,120.00 (this will come out of the balance of the disaster preparedness.) **R. Simon motions to purchase the 16 stands and storage cart. F. Avakumovic Seconds. MOTION CARRIED.**

- ii) Final for Hot Lunch - \$11,926.00

6. Presentation and Approval of 2008/2009 Budget

Summary of Proposed budget line by line. (see attached sheet)

Q. Where do the Parent donations fit in here? Approx. \$13,000.00.

A. The donations come in and then they go out to the Classrooms – Average of \$19.00 per child.

M. Cheung motions to adopt the 2008/2009 Budget. Seconded by Pablo Su.

MOTION CARRIED.

7. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS – J. MEZEI

- First call for nominations was at the last meeting.

CHAIRPERSON	Rhylin Bailie	Nominated and Acclaimed
VICE CHAIR	Open	
TREASURER	Shannon Kaustinen	Nominated and Acclaimed
SECRETARY	MaryAnn Giardini	Nominated and Acclaimed
DPAC REP.	Jennifer Mezei	Nominated and Acclaimed
CPF (Canadian Parents' for French)	Fiona Avakumovic	Remains and would like to share this position
3 MEMBERS AT LARGE	Zena Quan	Remains
	Denise Hayhurst	Remains
	Pia Gant	Nominated and Acclaimed
PAST CHAIR	Jane Andrew	
SPC (School Planning Council)	Jennifer Mezei	Nominated and Acclaimed
	Jane Andrew	Nominated and Acclaimed
	Pablo Su	Nominated and Acclaimed

8. CONTINUING BUSINESS

- i) **TRAFFIC AND SAFETY** – P. Gant reports as follows:

BCAA sponsored a year end Traffic Patrollers event at Bonsor that was a huge success. Traffic Safety Volunteers, Parents, Mr. Lapthorne and Ms. Chung went with 61 kids by bus and came back with 61 kids by Skytrain. BCAA gave certificates that will be given next week.

****Special Thanks to Liz Leong for her many years of dedication to Traffic Safety.**

- ii) **CARNIVAL** – M. Giardini and Z. Kwan reported as follows:

- Thank you's to everyone who volunteered. After much stress and worry many volunteers stepped forward and made this year's Carnival a success once again. The weather co operated and the turn out was great, with lots of people coming. Kudos to an amazing Committee.
- Amount raised between \$12,000 and \$13,000.
- Letters of Thanks to All who helped will be handed out soon.
- There has been an issue with the LCD TV that was in the Silent Auction. The winning bidder has now declined the purchase. This will be sorted out as quickly as possible.

iii) EXPENDITURE OF CARNIVAL PROCEEDS:

- PAC Executive and Carnival Committee informal discussion on how to spend:
1st on list, Big Screen for the Gym – 800.00
and Electric Winch for B/B hoop (incl. installation) \$2225.00 = \$3,025.00

Remaining funds 1/3 to IT, 1/3 to Instructional Resources, 1/3 Earthquake Preparedness

Teachers Wishlist:

White Boards – kids allergy to dust, also to tie in with the Smart Boards.

Action BC bins – it is required 30 min. of daily physical activity, need 6 intermediate and 7 primary. \$250.00-\$300.00 cost each

LCD projector – \$1200 each

Smart Boards - \$800-\$1400 each

Jane suggests purchase the top 2 items and 10 white boards

Teachers want to try out the Smart Board Technology.

Action BC bins \$3100 roughly

*One Parent objects to purchase of any more IT items.

Motion by D. Binotto to buy the white boards. Seconded by R. Vallani.

Amending motion by R. Vallani to funds for white boards and projectors from I/T 1/3 money left over to Action BC bins or alternatives, 1/3 reading materials and 1/3 to earthquake. **MOTION CARRIED.**

iv) NUTRITION:

Surprised that there was a cupcake sale at the school. This does not follow the Nutrition guidelines. The guidelines for beverage and snacks according to the website are even stricter. Hot lunch, carnival, fundraisers etc. must follow the guidelines. Hot Lunch needs a list of what can be sold. Popcorn machine is requested.

v) HOT LUNCH – 50% of items must meet guidelines.

vi) DPAC – BCC PAC conference is in Burnaby this year. 2 people can go. J. Mezei is thinking of just putting Seaforth PAC down “as attending”, and then who ever can go.

vii) CPF-

No New Business.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:49pm.

Motion by F. Avakumovic. Seconded by P. Su.

Next Meeting September 2008.